

ABSTRACT

WA-II-142

19th Century

Adams-Paulsgrove Farm

Beaver Creek Vicinity

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Adams-Paulsgrove Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Beaver Creek Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF Beaver Creek

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Charlitta A. Paulsgrove

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 9

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 427

Folio #: 10

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

WA II-142

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT ☐ DETERIORATED
☒ GOOD ☐ RUINS
☐ FAIR ☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED <50%

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located west of Beaver Creek Road and east of U.S. Route 40, southeast of Hagerstown near Beaver Creek in Washington County, Maryland. The house and barn are situated on a slight slope, facing east.

The dwelling is a two story, six bay structure built of roughly coursed local limestones. Between the second and third bays from the west end of the house is a vertical seam in the masonry which suggests that the two western bays were added to the main structure. Modified keystones are present above many of the window and door openings. Windows have moderately wide frames secured with wooden pegs and finished with a bead at the inside edge. Two over two light sashes are flanked with louvered shutters.

The main entrance is located in the second bay from the east end of the front elevation. It is framed similarly to the windows and includes a transom. Another entrance appears in the second bay from the west end of the front wall. Both doors are sheltered by a one story, four bay porch supported by chamfered square posts trimmed with curved brackets and small pendants. The porch is reached by a flight of steps and is partially enclosed with a scroll cut balustrade.

Brick flues are located inside each gable end and at the apparently original west end wall of the main section. The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and terminates with beaded barge boards set directly against the end walls. The eaves boxing is trimmed with several courses of cornice molding.

West of the house is a frame bank barn. Between the house and barn is a small log outbuilding or summer kitchen with a large exterior stone flue topped with brick at its south end. Other small outbuildings are located nearby.

The structures are in good to excellent condition and are situated on a tract containing 45.50 acres. Although the building date of this house is not known, the owner reports that the name Adams and a date from the 1850's were penciled in mortar beside the front entrance. The mortar has since fallen away.

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PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Although a date from the 1850's is said to have been found written on the masonry near the main entrance, the appearance of the house would suggest a building date prior to that time, perhaps during the second quarter of the 19th century. Features such as pegged window frames were not used extensively in this area after the first third of the 19th century. Although the seam in the masonry suggests that the western two bays of the house are an addition, the exterior woodwork and masonry is essentially consistent at both sections. The main or original portion of the house has four openings at the front elevation with an off center front door. Houses following this plan are a prominent type in northern Maryland and southern Pennsylvania.

Land records for this farm can be traced back to 1851 when it contained slightly more than 67 acres. On June 6, Joel Newcomer and Sarah Newcomer, David Schlosser and Magdalene Schlosser, Jacob Funk and Caroline Funk, Elizabeth Adams, George S. Adams and Amy Adams, and Jacob R. Adams sold this farm to Henry Adams for \$3,753.75. (IN6/507). The farm remained in the Adams family until May 16, 1914 when John Q. Adams sold it to Samuel C. Kaylor for \$10,000. (102/462, 144/323). It was purchased by George Albert McKee on March 13, 1920. (157/249). It was conveyed to the present owner in 1965 (228/539, 250/573, 427/10).

The property includes part of the grant "John's Lot."

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Record.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 45.50 acres.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

July 1976

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

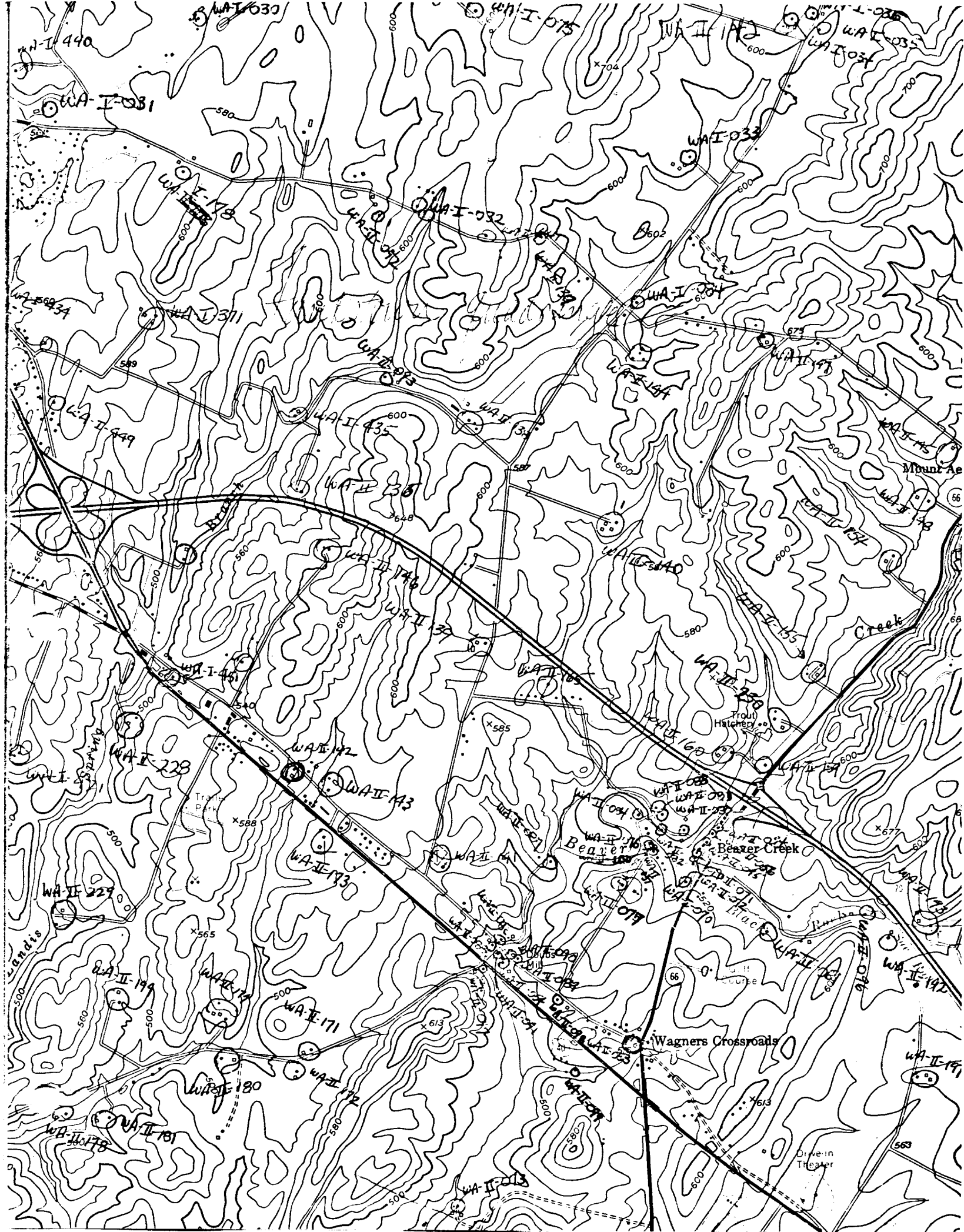
STATE

Maryland 21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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